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## Mini Cassette Recorder/Player with Variable Speed Playback User's Guide

### FCC INFORMATION

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

In accordance with FCC requirements, changes or modifications not expressly approved by Thomson Consumer Electronics could void the user's authority to operate this product.

### HEADPHONES USE

When you attach headphones (not included), the speaker is automatically silenced for private listening.

Make sure you turn down the volume on the unit before you put on headphones. Increase the volume to the desired level only *after* headphones are in place.

### POWER

There are two ways to supply power to your recorder:

#### BATTERY INSTALLATION

1. Press down on the battery door and slide in the direction of the arrow.
2. Insert two "AA" batteries - not included- as shown in the diagram on the back of the unit.
3. Replace the battery door.

#### IMPORTANT BATTERY INFORMATION

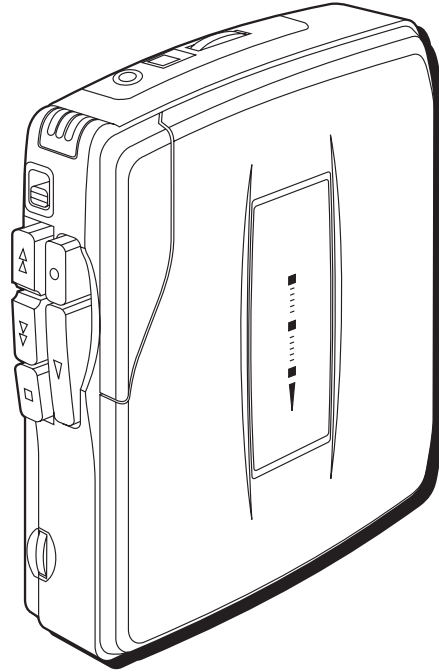
- Alkaline batteries are recommended for best results. Using nickel-cadmium rechargeable batteries may result in shorter playing time.
- If you do not intend to use the unit for a month or more, remove the batteries to avoid leakage or subsequent damage.
- Dispose of batteries in the proper manner, according to federal, state and local regulations.
- Any battery may leak electrolyte if mixed with a different battery type; if inserted incorrectly; if all batteries are not replaced at the same time; if disposed of in fire; or if an attempt is made to charge a battery not intended to be recharged.
- Discard leaky batteries immediately to avoid possible skin burns or other personal injury.

#### AC/DC POWER CONVERTER (NOT INCLUDED)

You can use an AC/DC power converter to operate your recorder. Plug the barrel end of the converter into the recorder's 3V DC jack - automatically disconnecting the batteries - and then plug into an AC household outlet.

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### TO INSERT OR REMOVE A CASSETTE

Make sure all buttons are in their "off" (up) position before attempting to open the cassette compartment door.

1. Grasp both sides of the cassette compartment door and lift up.
2. Gently slide in a cassette with the exposed tape facing out and the side you want to hear/record on showing through the cassette door window.
3. Close cassette compartment door.

### MIC SENSITIVITY SWITCH

Select HI sensitivity for recording at conferences or for general use.  
Select LO sensitivity for close dictation.

### RECORDING

1. Insert a blank cassette.
2. Select MIC sensitivity (HIGH or LOW).
3. Press the RECORD button. (The PLAY button will automatically depress at the same time).

**NOTE:** If the RECORD button does not depress, see "Preventing Accidental Erasure."

4. Speak normally into the microphone. To obtain optimum recording quality, place the recorder with the microphone freely exposed to sound source and as close as conveniently possible.
5. When you finish recording, press the STOP button.

**NOTES:** The ALC (Automatic Level Control) will set the record level for optimum recordings, regardless of volume setting.  
Avoid recording near unwanted noise sources, such as air conditioners, fans, etc.

#### PAUSE

The PAUSE feature allows you to momentarily stop tape activity in any mode without resetting the control buttons. To use, simply slide the PAUSE switch to the ON position to stop activity. Slide the switch back to the OFF position to resume activity.

#### PLAYBACK

To listen to a prerecorded cassette:

1. Insert a cassette as explained above.
2. Press the REW button to rewind the tape to its starting point if necessary.
3. Press the PLAY button.
4. Adjust VOLUME to desired level.

#### VARIABLE SPEED PLAYBACK

During the Play mode, you can adjust the speed of prerecorded tapes by rotating the Variable Speed Playback knob towards the MAX (maximum) position. Tape playback will be approximately 30-50 percent faster than normal at the full MAX position.

#### F.FWD AND REW

When not in the Play mode, you can use these buttons to adjust the tape position. Press F.FWD to move the quickly forward. Press REW to move the tape quickly backward.

#### CUE/REVIEW

This feature is helpful in finding the beginning or the end of the recorded segment on the tape.

When in the Play mode, press and hold the F.FWD or REW button and listen for a change from noise to silence (signaling the end of the recording) or from silence to noise (beginning of recording).

When you reach the portion of tape you want to hear, release the F.FWD or REW button. Use the same procedure if you want to skip a prerecorded portion or if you want to hear the same portion again.

#### AUTOMATIC STOP

When the unit is operating in the Play or Record mode and the tape reaches its end, the unit will automatically shut itself off and return all buttons to their off position.

### ERASING CASSETTES

To erase a tape or a portion of a tape, simply rewind and record over the unwanted material.

### PREVENTING ACCIDENTAL ERASURE

Whenever you make a recording, any previous material on the tape is automatically erased.

When you have a recording you want to keep permanently, break out the rear left tab of the side you want to save (as shown in the diagram).

When a cassette with the tab broken out is inserted in the cassette compartment, accidental erasure is prevented by a lever in the mechanism that keeps the RECORD button from depressing.

Cellophane tape can be placed over the broken tab if you decide later that you want to record over the material on that side.

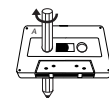
**NOTE:** This unit is equipped with a cassette sensing mechanism. This mechanism prevents the RECORD button from being depressed when a cassette is not present.

### CAUTION/CARE

Do not expose the unit to extreme temperatures, such as those caused by a hot stove or the inside of a car parked in the summer sun. Such conditions can damage the unit. Always clean with a soft cloth, dampened with water only.

Cleaning the Heads: Iron oxide particles eventually build up on parts that touch the tape. This can cause a muffled sound. Use liquid head cleaner or a head cleaning tape to clean the heads.

Quit Slacking-A little bit of slack in your tapes can cause scratches on the tape, or worse yet, the tape could break. If you notice some slack in the tape, use a pencil to tighten it up before you insert it.



### SERVICE

This product should be serviced only by those specially trained in appropriate servicing techniques. For instructions on how to obtain service, refer to the warranty included in this Guide. Attach your sales receipt to the booklet for future reference, or jot down the date this product was purchased or received as a gift. This information will be valuable if service should be required during the warranty period.

Purchase Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Store \_\_\_\_\_

### LIMITED WARRANTY

What your warranty covers:

- Any defect in material or workmanship.
- For how long after the original purchase:
- One year.

(The warranty period for rental units begins with the first rental or 45 days from date of shipment to the rental firm, whichever comes first.)

What we will do:

- Provide you with a new or, at our option, a refurbished unit.
- The exchange unit is warranted for the remainder of your product's original warranty period.

How to make a warranty claim:

- Properly pack your unit. Include any cables, etc., which were originally provided with the product. We recommend using the original carton and packaging materials.
- Remove cassette tapes or CDs from unit before shipping as these will not be returned.
- Include in the package evidence of purchase date, such as the bill of sale. Also print your name and address and a description of the defect. Send standard UPS or its equivalent to:

Thomson Consumer Electronics, Inc.  
Product Exchange Center  
11721 B Alameda Ave,  
Socorro, TX 79927

- Pay any charges billed to you by the Exchange Center for service not covered by the warranty.
- Insure your shipment in case of loss or damage. Thomson accepts no liability in case of damage or loss.
- A new or refurbished unit will be shipped to you prepaid freight.

What your warranty *does not* cover:

- Customer instruction. Your owner's manual provides information regarding the operating instructions and user controls. For additional information, ask your dealer.
- Installation and setup service adjustments
- Batteries
- Damage from misuse or neglect
- Products that have been modified or incorporated into other products.
- Product purchased or serviced outside the USA
- Acts of God, such as but not limited to lightning damage.

Product Registration:

- Please complete and mail the Product registration Card packed with your unit. It will make it easier to contact you should it ever be necessary. The return of the card is not required for warranty coverage.

How state law relates to this warranty:

- This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

If you purchased your product outside of the U.S.A.:

- This warranty does not apply. Contact your dealer for warranty information.

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